

Appln No. 09/819,049

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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The above identified patent application has been amended and reconsideration and reexamination are hereby requested.

Claims 75 - 120 (as renumbered) are now in the application. Formerly numbered Claims 82 - 127 have been renumbered to Claims 75 - 120. Claims 1 - 74 have been previously cancelled. Claims 76, 77, 79, 80, 82 - 84, 86, 87, 89, 92, 95 - 99, 101 - 103, 105, 107, 109, 110, 112 - 115, 117 and 118 (as renumbered) have been further amended.

The Examiner has objected to the claims with regard to claim numbering.

The undersigned, having reviewed the file history, concurs with the Examiner that the presently pending claims should be renumbered and that no previous renumbering was warranted. The presently pending claims have been renumbered accordingly.

The Examiner has also suggested that formerly numbered Claim 102 be changed therein to recite "data" in place of "date". The Applicants have amended formerly numbered Claim 102 accordingly. Other minor claim amendments, have also been made, not for the purposes of patentability but for the purposes of correcting dependency.

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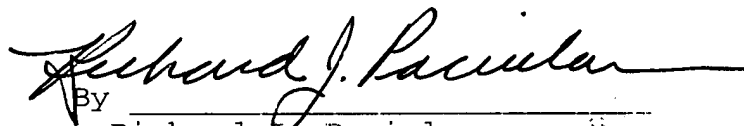
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Therefore, in view of the above amendment and remarks it is submitted that the claims are patentably distinct over the prior art and that all the objections to the claims have been overcome. Reconsideration and reexamination of the above Application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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